

FISCAL NOTE

HB 878 - SB 1869

March 29, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Eliminates the certificate for driving (CFD) and instead authorizes persons who can demonstrate a lawful presence in the United States to receive a one-year renewable driver license. Requires persons to execute an affidavit stating that the applicant is lawfully present in the United States and to present certain documents prior to the receipt of certain public benefits, the receipt of a grant, the awarding of a contract or the issuance of a professional or commercial license. Requires state and local government to verify the lawful presence of applicants through the use of the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) program.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures – \$1,870,900 Recurring
\$140,000 One-Time**

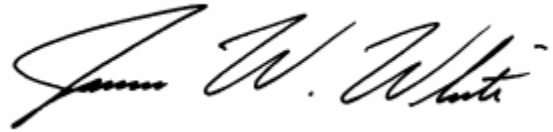
Assumptions:

- A CFD is only issued to a person demonstrating a lawful presence. The cost for the CFD and the one-year renewable license will be the same.
- The Department of Health would have to require verification of immigration status for some primary patients seen in local health departments. This could have a highly adverse impact on public health services if a person leaves without proper medical care.
- Fear of being reported to immigration authorities, even though the person is eligible to receive other health care services, could result in an impact on department programs such as TB, HIV/AIDS, STD, Prenatal Care, Family Planning and Immunization Services.
- Possible increase in TB, STD, HIV/AIDS diseases affecting the wider population, not just illegal immigrants.
- All departments issuing professional and/or commercial licenses will experience an increase in state expenditures to verify the immigration status of applicants. The Departments of Commerce and Health will each require ten additional positions.
- A recurring increase in state expenditures for the salary, benefits and operational expenses for additional positions.
- A one-time increase in state expenditures for office furnishings, computer equipment and training.

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CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a distinct "W".

James W. White, Executive Director